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Re: Character reference for Lenny Degnan

Dear Honorable Judge,

This letter is being written by the undersigned on behalf of Lenny Degnan who is being tried for charges. Having known Lenny for 45 years now, I was taken aback when I heard of the charges filed against him. We first met when we were in the first grade at Kittredge School in North Andover and this entire incident seems extremely out of character for someone as upright as Lenny.

When Lenny and I first met we became friends instantly and have been great friends ever since. Not only does Lenny help his friends, neighbors and family when they are in need, he also became my pillar of strength in one of my most personally distressing periods. I have seen him, over the years, help several people in his spare time. He has always had a kind heart towards people in need. From when we were teenagers, he always had a good word to say about everyone and because of that, Lenny has accumulated such an enormous amount of backing from his many friends.

His strong character, personal integrity and his commitment to his wife and three children are a reflection on them. Lenny's wife is very successful and one of the nicest persons you will come across. His two daughters are very successful professionals. Lenny's son has Asperger's Disorder, but he does not let his son use that for an excuse. Lenny brings his son up like any other 16 year old boy and because of that his son has the confidence to do well academically and play high school football and track. All three of Lenny's children are thriving professionally and academically because of Lenny's mentoring.

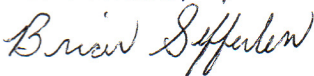
I am aware that Lenny is being tried because he has supposedly broken the law but I believe that if that is the case it would better serve the community and Lenny that he be not sent to prison. Sentencing him to a term in prison would only cause a citizen who is a valuable asset to his wife, three children, family, neighbors, friends and society a hardship.

Lenny is a great person, husband, father and a great friend who deserves a chance. Sending him to prison would only expose him to bad influences. I humbly ask you to please give him an opportunity to set his life back on track and not let this alter his life's direction.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me @ 617-538-7496.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely



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